



**A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE MUNICIPAL LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES OF THE
DUPAGE MAYORS AND MANAGERS CONFERENCE
FOR THE 2016 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

WHEREAS, the Village of Westmont is a member of the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference; and

WHEREAS, the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference develops its annual Legislative Action Program with the goal of establishing a comprehensive platform on legislative issues in order to protect and benefit the interests of its member municipalities, residents, and businesses in these municipalities, and the region generally; and

WHEREAS, on January 20, 2016, the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference voted unanimously to adopt its 2016 Legislative Action Program, attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Westmont, will be individually benefited by formally establishing positions on legislative issues affecting municipalities, thereby giving clear direction to officials and employees of the Village of Westmont, regarding legislative positions that may be represented in official capacity or on behalf of the municipality:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Westmont hereby adopts as its legislative priorities for the 2016 Legislative Session the priorities of the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference's 2016 Legislative Action Program:

1. Protect Local Revenue
2. Reform Municipal Public Safety Pensions
3. Amend the Public Safety Employee Benefits Act
4. Amend the Workers' Compensation Act
 - Remove the Burden of Proof for the Cause of Firefighter Injuries from Municipalities
 - Require Arbitrators to Adhere to the AMA Disability Rating Guidelines
 - Return the Length of Time Compensated to Pre-2006 Levels

- Overturn the Workers’ Compensation Commission Case Regarding Shoulder Injuries
 - Enforce the Medical Fee Schedule for Workers’ Compensation Claims
5. Remove Barriers of Non-Home Rule Authority
 - Allow Greater Flexibility with Regulations and Expenditures
 - Allow Crime Free Housing Regulations
 6. Support True Western Access

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution will be forwarded to the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference, to all state and federal legislators representing the Village of Westmont, to the Office of the Governor, and to department heads in the Village of Westmont.

Passed and Approved by the Mayor and Village Board of Westmont, Westmont, Illinois this 3rd day of March, 2016.

Ronald J. Gunter - Mayor

Virginia Szymiski - Village Clerk